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Introduction

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) is one of several law enforcement agencies within the United States Department of Justice that is dedicated to preventing terrorism, reducing violent crimes, and protecting our Nation. The men and women of ATF perform the dual responsibilities of enforcing Federal criminal laws and regulating the firearms and explosives industries. ATF is committed to working directly, and through partnerships, to investigate and reduce crime involving firearms and explosives, acts of arson, and illegal trafficking of alcohol and tobacco products.

Within ATF, the Office of Strategic Intelligence and Information (OSII) provides analytical support as it relates to the reduction of violent crime and protecting the public by providing timely, accurate, and focused intelligence through the collection and analysis of information to enhance decision making for all Bureau customers.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide information as it relates to the activity of extremist groups in those States that are along the U.S.-Canadian border and throughout Canada. On occasion, ATF investigations involve members of extremist groups who are engaged in criminal activity. It is hoped that the information contained in this publication will provide an awareness of the types of groups, locations, their ideologies, and the tactics associated with these groups.

Overview of American / Canadian Extremists Organizations

According to information obtained via the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC), the number of hate groups operating with the United States has risen and continues to rise. In 2006, law enforcement intelligence and SPLC information counted 844 organizations in 2007; this number has risen to 888, an increase of approximately 4.7 percent. This number may seem small; however, during an 8-year time period, this has translated into a 48-percent jump in the number of groups since 2000, when there were 602 hate groups operating in the United States, according to research by the intelligence project of the SPLC. Much of the expansion has been driven by hate groups' exploitation of the issue of illegal immigration, which most Americans see as a pressing concern. This overview addresses the issue of American and Canadian extremism in Canada and in those States that fall along the American-Canadian border.

Federal law enforcement officials believe White supremacists and other hate groups consist of some of the most violent and dangerous domestic organizations because of their willingness to act on their hatred. While traditional targets of hate groups have been African Americans and Jews, White supremacists have enhanced their focus in recent years to include homosexuals, pro-choice advocates, Hispanics, and Asians.

America, unfortunately, has no shortage of extremists. Some come from the far right, in the form of racist and anti-Semitic hate groups or anti-government extremists. Others come from the far left, which include environmental and animal rights extremists.[1]

At the same time as the United States enacted its Hate Crimes Statistics Act of 1990, which lobbied to recognize the impact of crimes motivated by hatred, hate crimes commenced in Canada. Although the term hate crime is commonly used today, little consensus exists as to its exact meaning. Although most definitions list a number of identifiable traits based on race, religion, and ethnicity, differences remain.

To date, more than 40 States have enacted hate crime legislation. Of these, 21 States and the District of Columbia also include sexual orientation as a protected status.[2]

In Canada, some of these definitional issues are currently being addressed. To date, Canada has no centralized system for collecting national police-reported statistics relating to hate-motivated crimes. Offenders of hate crimes have been associated with organizations such as Neo Nazis, Skinheads, and the Ku Klux Klan. At the root of extremism are radical ideologies and religious beliefs, held in anger and frustration, which can lead to violent acts ranging from hate crimes to terrorism.

Hate and extremist activity are also flourishing through new electronic avenues such as the Internet. Monitoring this activity at both the national and international levels remains difficult at best in both Canada and the United States.

Key Judgments

- A large number of these groups operate mainly in the States of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, New York, and Washington.

- The number of extremist groups operating in both the United States and Canada were minimal.

- The activity of the “Skinheads” groups appears to be more violent in nature.

- The ALF/ELF continues to destroy property using the arson technique.

Single Issue Extremists

These groups represent both rightwing and leftwing political leanings. The activities of these extremists differ from law-abiding groups by engaging in criminal activity, as well as acts of violence, to draw public attention to their issue(s) or cause. These groups consist of, but are not limited to, the following:

- **Animal Liberation Front (ALF) – Origins can be traced to 1970s**

Base of Operation: Canada; United Kingdom; United States

Animal Liberation Front (ALF) is an international extremist movement that seeks to totally eliminate animal abuse and the suffering of animals at the hands of humans. ALF utilizes the concept of "leaderless resistance" and is organized into small, autonomous

Figure 1 – ALF Supporter

cells with no centralized organization or leadership. ALF members believe in direct action and are heavily influenced by militant leftwing extremists linked to various anti-war movements and radical environmentalist groups. In recent years, an increasing amount of terrorist-related activity, primarily arsons, vandalism, and sabotage, have been attributed to ALF. ALF activists initially carried out acts of terrorism activity in the late 1980s throughout the Pacific Northwest, mainly in the States of Washington, Oregon, and California. ALF also has a strong following in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, and New York.

In the United States, 11 members of the 2 most active extremist movements in the United States have been indicted on charges related to 17 acts of domestic terrorism in 5 western States. Calling themselves "The Family," they targeted U.S. Forest Service ranger stations, Bureau of Land Management wild horse facilities, meat processing companies, lumber companies, and high-tension power lines among other targets on behalf of ALF and ELF. Two members of "The Family" are Canadian citizens.

Associated Criminal Activity – arson, bombings, harassment, vandalism, animal release, threats, destruction of property, terroristic activities.

- **Eco-Terrorists/Earth Liberation Front (ELF)**

  Base of Operation: Canada; United Kingdom; United States

Earth Liberation Front (ELF) is an international extremist movement that uses direct action in the form of economic sabotage to stop the exploitation and destruction of the natural environment. ELF also utilizes the concept of "leaderless resistance" and has no formal organizational structure or centralized leadership. Like ALF, the group is renowned for carrying out destructive arsons resulting in millions of dollars in property damage. ELF activists are also active throughout the Pacific Northwest and have also carried out acts of terrorism throughout the region including Washington, Oregon, Montana, Michigan, New York, and Maryland.

During "Operation Backfire," 1996–2001, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and law enforcement authorities learned that members of ELF had two weapons caches. Both caches were buried in Tillamook County, Oregon, and consisted of books, fireworks, hexamine tablets, Kel-tec ammunition, two AK-47s, a mini-14 rifle, and a Glock 9mm semiautomatic pistol. These caches were reportedly meant for survival after Y2K and not for assassinations. Eleven members of the ELF were indicted for attacks on Federal land and animal management sites, private meat-packing plants, lumber facilities, and car dealerships with damages reaching $80 million dollars.

An escalating trend during the past few years is the increase in new housing developments being targeted by members of ELF. Several incidents, mainly arson, occurred throughout the United States. One major incident occurred in a Hagerstown, Maryland, development causing more than $300,000 in damages. Four unoccupied townhomes were set on fire; one home was destroyed, and the other three severely damaged. An anonymous e-mail sent to the media claimed responsibility for the attack on behalf of ELF.

Figure 2 – Seattle, Washington, house fire – possible ELF involvement[3]

In August 2008, Michael J. Scarpitti, a radical environmentalist and former Federal Bureau of Investigation fugitive, pled guilty to multiple fire bombings in Oregon. Scarpitti was sentenced to serve more than 2 years in prison on Federal arson and conspiracy charges. Scarpitti (a.k.a Tre Arrow) was arrested in March 2004 in Vancouver, Canada, after allegedly trying to steal bolt cutters from a home improvement store. An FBI arrest warrant was issued after he and three others were charged in a June 2001 logging-truck arson (the three other co-conspirators pled guilty to the firebombing and are serving prison terms). Scarpitti is also suspected of being involved in the April 2001 arson of three Mack trucks belonging to a Portland mining company. Scarpitti is associated with ELF.[4]

ELF claimed responsibility for a series of arson attacks in Guelph, Canada, during September 2006. One arson attack caused about $80,000 in damages to a new townhouse. A similar attack to a new home under construction amounted to $200,000 in damages.

Associated Criminal Activity – arson, bombings, harassment, vandalism, animal release, threats, destruction of property, terroristic activities.

- **Anti-Abortionist Activity**

Canada has a violent history as it relates to targeting physicians who perform abortions. In the past, random acts of violence against abortion providers have included shootings, isobutyric acid attacks, arsons, and bombings. This activity usually occurs in the United States on or around Veteran's Day. The Canadian holiday of Remembrance Day is also celebrated on November 11th. Anti-abortion activists in Canada and the United States have used this day to commemorate the "unborn children" and have publicized their political views via the media.

On June 26, 2008, convicted murderer James Kopp refused to speak to Canadian law enforcement authorities in connection with the shootings of three Canadian abortion providers.

Kopp is wanted in the shooting of Dr. Hugh Short and is a suspect in the shootings of Drs. Garson Romalis and Jack Fainman. Kopp is serving life in prison for the murder of Dr. Barnett Slepian and is unlikely ever to be extradited to Canada to stand trial due to ongoing U.S. appeals.

Leftwing Extremists

The philosophy of the leftwing extremists is to embrace anti-capitalist, communist, and or a socialist doctrine. Their emphasis is to bring change through violent revolution instead of a political process. These groups consist of, but are not limited to, the following:

- **Anarchists**

Formation of a new anarchist group in Spokane, Washington. Formerly known as the Spokane Local Anarchy Coalition (SLAC), the group is now referring to itself as the "Spokane Lack of Action Coalition – SLAC." Affiliated with the Black Bloc. Membership surged from a dozen people in July 2005 to more than 90 members in September 2005. Members recently attempted to set fire to a vacant building in the downtown area.

There is a primitive living group of "green anarchists" in Okanogan County, Washington. This group has its own "security."

- **Violent Anti-Government Groups (VAGs)**

Rightwing Extremists

Rightwing extremists reject Federal Authority and are in favor of State or local government. They are concerned with preserving the Constitution, including their right to liberty and privacy. These extremists are nationalistic and may embrace racist views or multiple belief systems. This group consists of the following:

- **Militias – Origins mid to late 1993**

The militia movement is a relatively new rightwing extremist movement consisting of armed paramilitary groups, both formal and informal, with an anti-government, conspiracy-oriented ideology. Militia groups began to form shortly after the deadly standoff at Waco, Texas, in 1993. By the spring of 1995, they had spread to almost every State. Many members of militia groups have since been arrested, usually on weapons, explosives, and conspiracy charges. Although the militia movement has declined in strength from its peak in early 1996, it remains an active movement, especially in the Midwest, and continues to cause a number of problems for law enforcement.[5]

- **White Supremacists**

Groups or individuals that believe Caucasians/Aryans are intellectually and morally superior to other races and use their racist ideology to commit crimes, acts of violence, and terrorism are called White supremacists. Most advocate racial separation and segregation. White supremacists are broken down generally into six types: Neo-Nazi, Ku Klux Klan, Christian Identity, Skinhead, Odinist, or Racist Prison Gangs. The largest two are briefly described below.

KKK

The Ku Klux Klan was founded in 1866 in Pulaski, Tennessee, by six Confederate soldiers. Throughout the years the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) has had a continuous rise and decline in membership. The KKK's history of violence and intimidation continues today. While some KKK groups have attempted to polish their images by creating a political-based party system, others are preaching that the time has come for the KKK to retreat to an underground, militant way of operation. Arson, explosives, and firearms offenses continue to be the pattern of criminal activity of the KKK. The Ku Klux Klan grew from 110 chapters in 2000 to 170 chapters in 2005. In 2006, there were a total of 164 chapters. This steep 5-year rise, 63 percent, probably came more in the number of chapters than in actual Klansmen. There are likely between 6,000 and 8,000 Klansmen in all 34 Klan groups combined.[6]

Members of the Michigan-based United Northern and Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan

Figure 3 – Knights of the KKK[7]

Note: Size, membership, and locations of the White supremacist group may vary, but their underlying philosophies share a common thread. In an attempt to provide the law enforcement officer with a thorough understanding of the White supremacist movement, we will address the major practices common among these various groups.

- **Skinheads**

The skinhead movement began in England in the 1960s and attracted a substantial following in the United States in the mid-to-late 1980s. With active pockets across the country, skinheads often sympathize with other White supremacist groups, especially those in the prison environment.

The Hammerskin Nation is the most violent and best-organized neo-Nazi skinhead group in the United States. A number of its members have been convicted of harassing, beating, or murdering minorities. Many popular racist rock bands are affiliated with the Hammerskin Nation, which regularly sponsors concerts. Though internal dissension and a civil lawsuit currently threaten its continued strength, the Hammerskin Nation remains active and dangerous. The Hammerskin Nation Web site listed chapters in several other countries, including Canada, England, France, the Netherlands, and Germany.

Figure 4 – Hammerskin Nation tattoo / member with firearm.[8]

Skinhead Symbols

Both racist and non-racist skinheads use specific symbols to identify themselves with their own subculture, and to help them feel that they are part of a self-recognized community. Some of these symbols focus on the traditional "look" of skinheads; others glorify the violent culture often associated with skinheads. Still others are specific logos of the White supremacist groups many neo-Nazi skinheads join.

Figure 5 – Symbols associated with racist Skinheads.[9]

- **Sovereign Citizens**

The "sovereign citizen" movement is a loosely organized collection of groups and individuals who have adopted a rightwing anarchist ideology originating in the theories of a group called the Posse Comitatus in the 1970s. Its adherents believe that virtually all existing government in the United States is illegitimate; therefore, they seek to "restore" an idealized, minimalist government that never actually existed. To this end, sovereign citizens wage war against the government and other forms of authority using "paper terrorism" harassment and intimidation tactics, and occasionally resorting to violence.[10]

- **Separatist Groups**

Separatist groups adhere to various ideologies and/or religious fanaticism. Examples include the Sovereign Citizen Movement, White Supremacy, Black Separatism, and the Militia Movement. The major goal of the separatist group is to secede from the United States, form their own country, government, and/or territory. Examples of these organizations include, but are not limited to, the following: the Republic of Texas organization, the Montana Freemen, and the Christian Exodus.

Extremists/Violent Anti-Government Groups – Terminology, Symbols, Logos, and Tattoos

Neo-Nazis, racist skinheads, White supremacists, and other individuals associated with the hate movement utilize symbols like swastikas, "SS" bolts, runes, and group logos to intimidate individuals and communities. Hate symbols are more than just "signs" demonstrating racist, anti-Semitic, and anti-Christian attitudes and beliefs — these symbols are meant to instill a sense of fear and insecurity. One finds hate symbols scrawled on the outside walls of synagogues, churches, and schools; depicted on fliers and literature distributed in communities; tattooed on the bodies of White supremacists; or proudly displayed as jewelry or on clothing. These symbols give haters a sense of power and belonging, and a quick way of identifying with others who share their ideology. They offer a visual vocabulary that is used by a variety of extremists including the Ku Klux Klan, the neo-Nazi National Alliance, and identity groups such as the Aryan Nations and the Posse Comitatus.

REPRESENTATIVE EXTREMISTS / VIOLENT ANTI-GOVERNMENT GROUP TERMINOLOGY[11]

- 13 = Stands for Aryan Circle (A is 1st letter in alphabet; "C" is the third)
- 88 = Stands for "HH" or "Heil Hitler" ("H" being the 8 letter of the alphabet)
- 311 = KKK Symbol. "K" being the 11th letter of the alphabet, 3 times
- 4/19 = Anniversary dates of the Waco, TX, standoff between the Branch Davidians and Federal agents, and the Oklahoma City bombing
- RAC = Acronym for "Rock against Communism"
- Turner Diaries = 1978 novel by William Pierce, leader of the National Alliance before his death, that is revered by extremist and White supremacy groups
- ZOG – Zionist Occupation Government term used to describe belief that government is controlled by Zionists
- RaHoWa – acronym for Racial Holy War. Signifies the battle that White supremacists believe/envision that will pit members of the White race against minorities and Jews. This racial holy war will lead to the destruction of all races with the exception of the White race.
- 14 Words – phrase coined by David Lane of the Neo-Nazi organization known as the Order. "We must secure the existence of our people and a future for white children."[12]

Representative Racist Symbols

A wide spectrum of racist groups, from neo-Nazis to the Klan to White power-oriented skinheads, uses these symbols interchangeably. They are instantly recognizable by those who employ them and serve as a common language to communicate their ideas. Most represent some aspect of what they consider "Aryan" culture or "White pride."

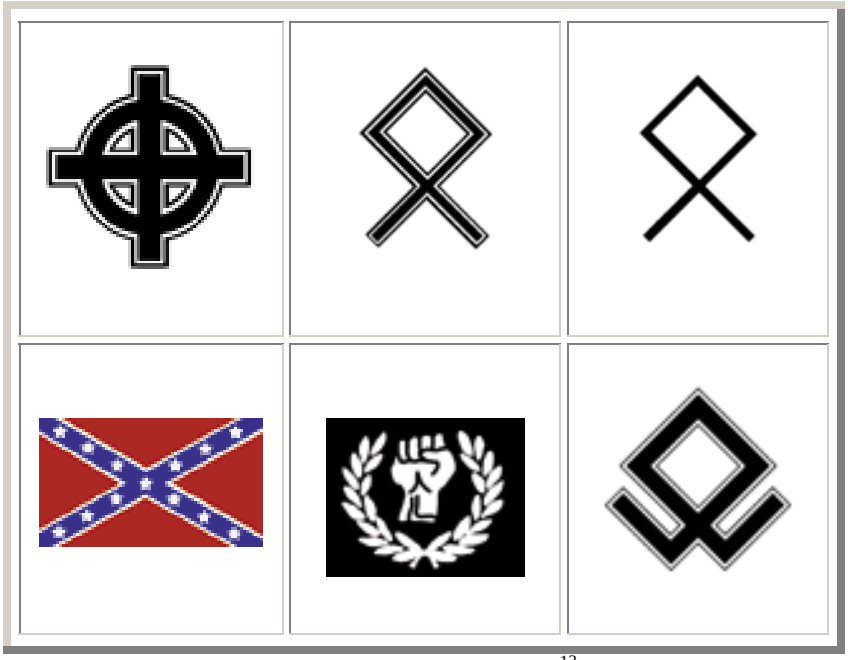

Figure 6 – Racist Symbols[13]

It is important for community groups, schools, religious institutions, and law enforcement agencies to recognize these symbols and their meaning. Through knowledge of hate symbols, teachers and community leaders may be able to identify hate group members in their neighborhoods who try to recruit young people to their cause via publications, fliers, music, and the Internet. Teachers and community leaders may also be able to identify individuals who are involved in racist and anti-Semitic incidents. Likewise, law enforcement officials with knowledge of hate symbols may be able to classify graffiti on churches, synagogues, or schools as hate crimes because of their association with racist or anti-Semitic ideology.

Being able to identify and understand these symbols also allows teachers, law enforcement, and others in the community to be vigilant against haters who use them to intimidate and frighten others.

Figure 7 – Aryan Pride tattoo [14]

Fundraising Efforts

Most domestic nationalist extremists groups in the United States raise funds legally. These groups are overt in their activities, and their fundraising methods include collecting dues and contributions, selling memorabilia, and marketing White power music.

The Internet has become an important tool to raise money. Many groups use the World Wide Web to sell various group or movement-related items, i.e. patches, uniforms, etc.

Another source of income for some groups is to hold Unity Gatherings and charge admission fees. Groups set up tables at these events to sell items such as audio and video cassettes, CDs, and DVDs of rallies and speeches.[15]

Figure 8 – CD Label from Canadian rock band RaHoWa

Lone Wolf Terrorist

The lone wolf concept within the domestic White nationalist extremist movement can be traced to Louis Beam, a former Klansman. According to the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), Beam called for a change in the movement's tactics to one of leaderless resistance, meaning clandestine cells driven by ideology rather than direction from group leaders.

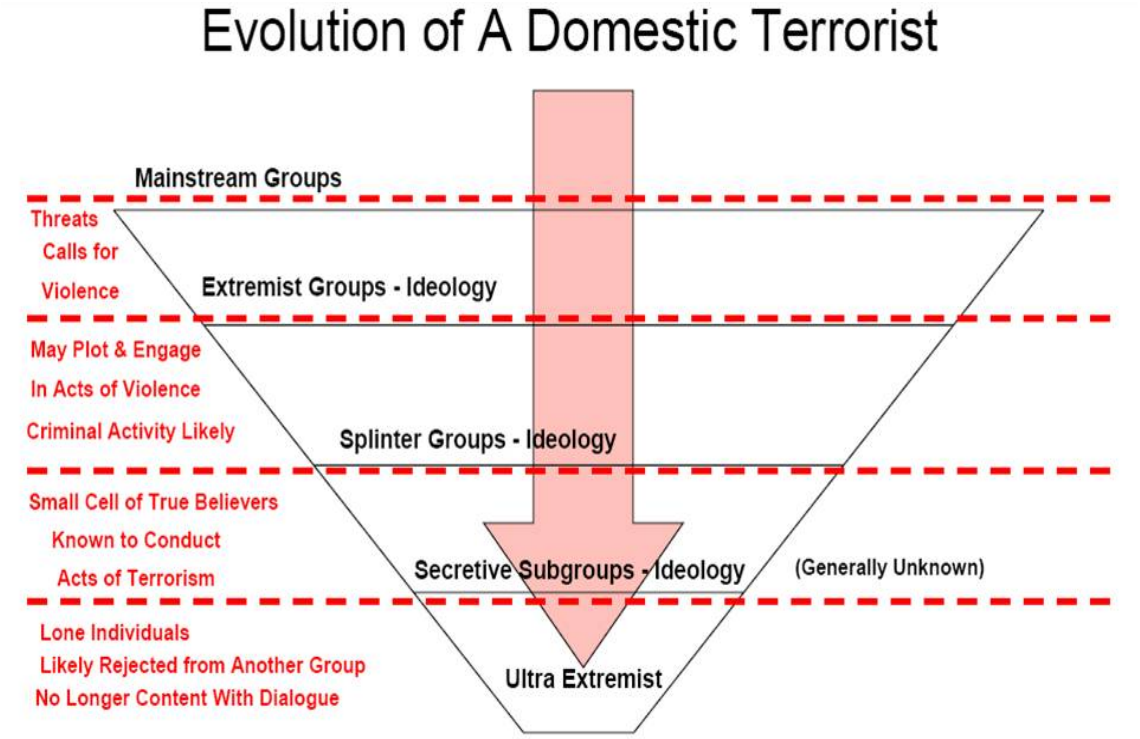

Figure 9 – Evolution of a Domestic Terrorist[16]

Identified Lone Wolves

Benjamin Nathaniel Smith – killed two people and wounded eight in a series of shootings in Illinois and Indiana targeting racial and religious minorities between 2 and 4 in July 1999. Smith was a member of the World Church of the Creator (now Creativity Movement) but left the group prior to his actions. He committed suicide to avoid capture.[17]

Buford O'Neal Furrow – former Aryan Nations member; shot and wounded five people, including three children, at a Jewish community center in Granada Hills, California, on 10 August 1999. While fleeing the scene, Furrow also shot and killed a Filipino-American U.S. Postal Service employee. Furrow said he would not have shot his last victim had the person been white. He subsequently pleaded guilty and was sentenced to life in prison.[18]

Richard Scott Baumhammers – killed five people and injured one other in Allegheny and Beaver counties near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on 28 April 2000, during an ethnically motivated shooting spree. Baumhammers's victims included a Jewish female neighbor whose house he set on fire, an Indian grocer, two Asians employed at a Chinese restaurant, and an African-American at a martial arts school. He also shot a second ethnic Indian in the neck, paralyzing him, and shot at and defaced two synagogues during his spree. Special note: Baumhammers was an

immigration lawyer and not a White nationalist extremist. He partially blamed his rampage on the influences of Internet hate sites he visited.[19]

States with Active Hate Groups

Figure 10 – Active U.S. Hate Groups by State [20]

*Additional Groups obtained from other sources listed below. The above map details information compiled by the Southern Poverty Law Center.

As of October 2008, the Southern Poverty Law Center recognized 888 active hate groups in the United States in 2007. Only organizations and their chapters known to be active during 2007 are included.

Following are listings of known or reported extremist groups along the northern border, grouped by ATF field division. The listings in the tables were derived from the SPLC, while the text outside the tables was obtained through ATF and other law enforcement sources.

- ***ATF – Boston Field Division*[21]**

Maine

Group	Type	City	State
North East White Pride	White Nationalist	Portland	ME

Figure 11 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Maine.[22]

Maine Mobile Raiders Militia – active in Kennebec and Penobscot, Maine, with a very small membership.

North East White Pride (NEWP) – meetings have also been held in Portland, Maine.

Sacred Reich Ministries – Christian Identity group, located in South Paris, Maine. Organization most likely comprised of only a handful of members.

New Hampshire

Group	Type	City	State
North East White Pride	White Nationalist	Concord	NH
Germanenorden Society	White Nationalist	Danbury	NH
Slaves of the Immaculate Heart of Mary	Radical Traditionalist Catholic	Richmond	NH
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Winchester	NH

Figure 12 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in New Hampshire.[23]

U.S. Constitution Rangers (USCR), Plainfield, New Hampshire – organization of "sovereign-citizens" who have charged themselves with the responsibility of policing the offices of public trust. The members of USCR do not recognize State or Federal laws, and therefore, typically do not pay taxes or adhere to local, State, or Federal governing laws. They claim to be self-governed, operating as their own law enforcement agency independent of the U.S. Government, only being subject to the Constitution of United States. The USCR split into two factions as a result of allegations involving misuse of USCR funds. *Edward Brown's* faction is located in Plainfield, New Hampshire, and was the subject of a recent law enforcement operation resulting in Brown's arrest along with his wife, Elaine Brown. The other USCR faction is led by *Walter Hunt* in Colorado. There are at least 10 States reporting USCR activity including Washington, Idaho, Arizona, Colorado, Missouri, Nebraska, Arkansas, Michigan, Vermont, and New Hampshire.

Granite State Irregulars Militia – state militia with few active members in New Hampshire.

North East White Pride (NEWP) – social networking forum for racists on the Internet. NEWP members hold regular face-to-face meetings. Meetings are usually held monthly at the private residences of select NEWP members. NEWP members have also engaged in legal protest activity as well as the distribution of hate propaganda. NEWP members have been known to conduct regular meetings at KC's Rib Shack in Manchester, New Hampshire.

East Coast White Unity – a loose-affiliation of White supremacist activists living in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, and Maine. The true names of actual members have yet to be identified.

Vermont

Group	Type	City	State
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Rutland	VT

Figure 13 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Vermont.[24]

Vermont White Knights of the Klan, Bomoseen, Vermont – limited Klan activity and a few militia members who meet infrequently.

- ***ATF – Columbus Field Division***[25]

Indiana

Group	Type	City	State
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi	Muncie	IN
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi	Portage	IN
Aryan Nations	Neo-Nazi	South Bend	IN
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Lakeville	IN
Council of Conservative Citizens	White Nationalist		IN
Culture Wars/Fidelity Press	Radical Traditionalist Catholic	South Bend	IN
Delaware County Skinheads	Racist Skinhead	Muncie	IN
Imperial Klans of America	Ku Klux Klan	Center Point	IN
Imperial Klans of America	Ku Klux Klan	Charlestown	IN
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Indianapolis	IN
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	South Bend	IN
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi	Wakarusa	IN
North American White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Bloomington	IN
St. Joseph Forum	Radical Traditionalist Catholic	South Bend	IN
United Northern and Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Bloomington	IN
Vinlanders Social Club	Racist Skinhead	Knightstown	IN
WTM Enterprises	White Nationalist	Roanoke	IN
Yahweh's Sanctuary	White Nationalist	Martinsville	IN

Figure 14 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Indiana.[26]

Ohio

Group	Type	City	State
Creativity Movement	Neo-Nazi		OH
Imperial Klans of America	Ku Klux Klan	Amelia	OH
United Northern and Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Bethel	OH
Diehard Records	Racist Music	Chesapeake	OH
Imperial Klans of America	Ku Klux Klan	Cincinnati	OH
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Cincinnati	OH

Group	Type	City	State
National Alliance	Neo-Nazi	Cincinnati	OH
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi	Cincinnati	OH
European-American Unity and Rights Organization	White Nationalist	Cleveland	OH
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Cleveland	OH
National Alliance	Neo-Nazi	Cleveland	OH
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Columbus	OH
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Columbus	OH
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi	Coshocton	OH
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi	Covington	OH
Appalachian Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Dayton	OH
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Dayton	OH
Council of Conservative Citizens	White Nationalist	Grove City	OH
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi	Jamestown	OH
ISD Records	Racist Music	Lancaster	OH
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi	Lewisburg	OH
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Logan	OH
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Marion	OH
Blood and Honour	Racist Skinhead	Salem	OH
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi	Spencerville	OH
Imperial Klans of America	Ku Klux Klan	St. Marys	OH
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi	Wilmington	OH
Empire Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Wooster	OH

Figure 15 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Ohio.[27]

Intelligence information obtained from ATF Columbus Field Division, Field Intelligence Group, indicates that the Aryan Brotherhood has developed a presence in northern Ohio. Intelligence information indicates/suggests that Aryan Brotherhood may be participating in and/or facilitating criminal activities with various outlaw motorcycle organizations in the northern Ohio area. At this time the exact nature and/or existence of the presence of the Aryan Brotherhood in northern Ohio is not explicitly known.

- ***ATF – Chicago Field Division***

Group	Type	City	State
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi		IL
Council of Conservative Citizens	White Nationalist		IL
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Beardstown	IL
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Berwyn	IL
Creativity Movement	Neo-Nazi	Bloomington	IL
American Renaissance/New Century Foundation	White Nationalist	Chicago	IL
Council of Conservative Citizens	White Nationalist	Chicago	IL
Creativity Movement	Neo-Nazi	Chicago	IL

Group	Type	City	State
Ecclesiastical Council for the Restoration of Covenant Israel	Christian Identity	Chicago	IL
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Chicago	IL
National Alliance	Neo-Nazi	Chicago	IL
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Chicago	IL
New Black Panther Party	Black Separatist	Chicago	IL
Northern Hammerskins	Racist Skinhead	Chicago	IL
Save Our State	Anti-Immigrant	Chicago	IL
Creativity Movement	Neo-Nazi	East Peoria	IL
Creativity Movement	Neo-Nazi	Joliet	IL
Aryan Anarchist Skins	Racist Skinhead	Mount Morris	IL
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi	Peoria	IL
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi	Schiller Park	IL
Jewish Defense League	General Hate	Skokie	IL
Aryan Nations	Neo-Nazi	Troy	IL
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Troy	IL

Figure 16 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Illinios.[28]

ATF Chicago Field Division did not report any information as it relates to identified hate/supremacist/separatist organizations operating within their area of jurisdictional purview.

ATF – Detroit Field Division[29]

Michigan

Group	Type	City	State
Imperial Klans of America	Ku Klux Klan		MI
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi		MI
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi		MI
National Socialist Movement Skinhead Division	Neo-Nazi		MI
National Vanguard	Neo-Nazi		MI
Romanain National Vanguard	Neo-Nazi		MI
Council of Conservative Citizens	White Nationalist	Caledonia	MI
National Socialist Aryan Order	Neo-Nazi	Davison	MI
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Detroit	MI
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi	Detroit	MI
Northern Hammerskins	Racist Skinhead	Detroit	MI
Volksfront	Racist Skinhead	Detroit	MI
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Dowling	MI
Young Americans for Freedom - MI State University	General Hate	East Lansing	MI
Yahweh's Truth	Christian Identity	Essexville	MI
United Northern and Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Fraser	MI
White Voices of America	White Nationalist	Grand Haven	MI

Group	Type	City	State
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi	Grand Rapids	MI
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Ironwood	MI
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi	Jackson	MI
United Northern and Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Milan	MI
Social Contract Press	Anti-Immigrant	Petoskey	MI
Charles Darwin Research Institute	White Nationalist	Port Huron	MI
By Yahweh's Design	Christian Identity	Stevensville	MI
American Nazi Party	Neo-Nazi	Westland	MI
NS Publications	Neo-Nazi	Wyandotte	MI

Figure 17 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Michigan.[30]

Michigan Militia Corps (MMC) – located in the cities of St. Clair, Redford, Kalamazoo, Fowlerville, Capac, Burton, and Benzonia. The MMC are also in St. Clair County, Monroe County, Oakland County, MaComb County, Wayne County, Livingston County, Washtenaw County, Lanawee County, Hillsdale County, Jackson County, and Calhoun County. In 1999, MMC changed its organization structure from regional areas to county-level units. Of the 15 active units, the Wayne County Unit is the largest with 200-300 members. MMC operates two training camps and sponsors regular training exercises. On May 12, 2001, the MMC held a statewide election near Gladwin, Michigan, to elect new leadership for the group.

Michigan Militia Corps / Wolverines – located in several Michigan cities/areas i.e. Muskegon, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Battle Creek, and southwestern Michigan. Organization is militia with approximately 100-200 members. In March 1998, major officers were removed from their positions in MMC in a coup orchestrated by militia members affiliated with Christian Identity. MMC members also accused those officers of cooperating too much with law enforcement.

Southeast Michigan Volunteer Militia (SMVM) – previously known as the Wayne County Michigan Militia, is the largest unit of the Michigan Militia and the most active militia group within the State. According to the ADL, the SMVM has conducted at least 34 separate events inside Michigan since 2006. Approximately half of these events were held for the purposes of survival or paramilitary training. Approximately once each month the SMVM conducted firearms training at a private range in Bancroft, MI. At these training sessions, the members demonstrate marksmanship and basic survival training (overnight sheltering).

The National Socialist Movement (NSM) – based in Minneapolis, Minnesota, also flourishes in the State of Michigan, and appears to be positioning itself as the elite White supremacist/neo-Nazi organization in the United States. The platform of the NSM consists of several facets, including positions on employment, healthcare, education, taxation, race, religion, the military, and abortion. The NSM has several chapters in the cities of Cadillac, Detroit, Alpena, and Flint and claims to have 125 members throughout the State of Michigan. Along with its traditional racist ideology, the NSM has taken up the anti-immigration cause as a rallying point for recruitment and support. From 2006 through 2007 there have been at least six events organized by NSM in Michigan.[31]

A new group, claiming to be affiliated with the NSM, is known as the Rollingwood Skins and operates in the Flint, Michigan, area. The leader of the organization indicates the group has 25 members; however, law enforcement officials believe the number is much smaller.

The Hammerskin Nation – is an umbrella organization of White-power skinheads consisting of regional Hammerskin groups, which include the Northern Hammerskins who operate in Michigan. Hammerskin Nation members nationally have committed race-related criminal acts, and most have connections to other White nationalist groups. The Northern Hammerskins hold an annual White-power music venue in April called "Hammerfest" in the suburbs of Detroit, Michigan.

The Michigan Militia – formalized around the spring of 1995, organized units throughout the State of Michigan, and began paramilitary-style training in preparation for combat with an anticipated foreign enemy or possibly even the United States. The groups recruit through training day that are open to the public, informational meetings, and the Internet. A splinter cell of a militia group within the State of Michigan has reportedly planned to kill police officers and certain elected officials with which they are displeased.[32]

Michigan Patriots Alliance – according to the Michigan Intelligence Operations Center, five independent militia units officially split from the Southeast Michigan Volunteer Militia (SMVM) and formed the Michigan Patriot Alliance (MPA). This split occurred in July 2007. The five units consist of the Oakland County Volunteers, Calhoun County Volunteers, St. Clair County Citizens' Militia, East Central Volunteer Militia, and the Genesee County Volunteer Militia. The militia movement consists of paramilitary groups, both formal and informal, that have a history of anti-government or conspiracy-oriented ideologies. Although there is no substantiated evidence regarding MPA criminal activity, these types of groups remain a concern for law enforcement safety due to their anti-government ideologies.

In the State of Michigan, the KKK has a presence that includes the following groups: Brotherhood of Klan's of the KKK (Ironwood, MI)—this group may also have had ties to the National Alliance; KKK (Rapid City, MI); National Knights of the KKK (Kalamazoo, MI); Imperial Klan's of America (Roscommon, MI); and the United Northern and Southern Knights of the KKK (Milan, MI). Thus far, law enforcement has been unable to determine the number of KKK members comprising these various groups. The largest and most active KKK group in Michigan is the United Northern and Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

United Northern and Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UNSKKKK) – based in Fraser, Michigan, and was formed in 2005 after splintering from the Ohio-based Mystic Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The UNSKKKK is the largest Klan group operating in the State. The Northern and Southern Knights use unsolicited mailings and distribute flyers and other Klan propaganda as a means of recruitment. A member of the UNSKKK stated the United Northern and Southern Knights distributed 6,000 anti-immigration newsletters in 2006 to residents in Bloomington and other Indiana communities calling for a rally and blaming illegal workers for taking jobs. During a March 25, 2007, newspaper interview, the same member stated UNSKKKK membership has grown at an "astounding pace," doubling over the past few years.

However, he refused to give specific membership numbers. Federal and State law enforcement in Michigan disagree with this statement, sighting no apparent changes in Michigan Klan activities.

The Knights Party – based in Midland, Michigan, is a faction of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The leader of the organization spoke at the 2006 Knights Party 50th Anniversary on the use of public access television as a recruiting and organizing tool for the White supremacist movement.

Imperial Klans of America (IKA) – headquartered in Powderly, Kentucky, and has a small chapter in Redford, Michigan.

Christ County Kingdom of God – Kent County, Michigan. The group considers local, State, and Federal Government to be illegitimate and advocates their overthrow. Many members split from the Michigan Militia Corps–Wolverines due to the militant Christian Identity beliefs of the CCKG. CCKG has fortified property, and two members have permits to purchase and possess explosives.

Yahweh's Truth – a Christian Identity ministry in Essexville, Michigan. The Marquiss Quality Furniture, at 644 W. Center Road, was the sight of several White supremacist meetings until it was gutted by fire on 21 June 2004. The major leader sponsors several yearly CI gatherings, usually around a legitimate Christian holiday, drawing between 50 and 10 like-minded subjects from all over the Midwest. The main focus of the leader of this organization is the hatred toward those of the Jewish faith.

The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ / Proclaim Liberty Ministry – Christian Identity church in Adrian, Michigan. The leader has a radio program called "Proclaim Liberty Ministry." Since 1996, he has been fighting the FCC over the operation of his unlicensed radio station. Current membership is estimated between 50 and 75 members. The leader is an active participant in the militia movement.

The Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC) prison system has identified a White supremacist prison group called "The Christians of the Covenant Elects Fellowship" (CCEF). The headquarters of the CCEF is located at the Ionia maximum security prison, P.O. Box 492, 1728 Blue Water Highway, Ionia, Michigan 48846. The CCEF is a charter member of the Congregations of Israel (COI), a Christian Identity group. The headquarters of the COI is located in Round Hill, Virginia. Various groups affiliated with the COI believe that race-mixing serves to dilute or destroy the breath of life in mankind and that the destruction of the 'White Christian Israelite' people will occur in part through interracial marriage. The affiliated groups are also ideologically opposed to governments that adhere to the use of paper money; illegally tax their citizens; continue to allow corrupt courts and a corrupt legal system; force racial integration; allow usury; and become involved in foreign wars.[33]

The State of Michigan is home to several variations of leftwing extremism. These groups are in close proximity to university campuses that often provide a receptive population from which to

recruit. Although some of these groups have members that have committed criminal acts to enhance their extremist views, the groups to which these individuals are members have not officially condoned or sanctioned their actions.

ATF – New York Field Division [34]

New York

Group	Type	City	State
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi		NY
Free Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan		NY
Save Our State	Anti-Immigrant		NY
Aryan Nations	Neo-Nazi	Astoria	NY
Jewish Defense League	General Hate	Brooklyn	NY
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi	Brooklyn	NY
United Nuwaubian Nation of Moors/All Eyes on Egypt	Black Separatist	Brooklyn	NY
Women for Aryan Unity	White Nationalist	Brooklyn	NY
League of the South	Neo-Confederate	Buffalo	NY
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Buffalo	NY
The Fatima Crusader/International Fatima Rosary Crusade	Radical Traditionalist Catholic	Constable	NY
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Harlem	NY
Racial Nationalist Party of America	White Nationalist	Lockport	NY
North East White Pride	White Nationalist	Long Island	NY
Castle Hill Publishers	Holocaust Denial	New York	NY
Council of Conservative Citizens	White Nationalist	New York	NY
Pioneer Fund	White Nationalist	New York	NY
Vinland Winds Records	Racist Music	New York	NY
Vinlanders Social Club	Racist Skinhead	New York	NY
Volksfront	Racist Skinhead	New York	NY
"Catholic Family News/Catholic Family Ministries, Inc."	Radical Traditionalist Catholic	Niagara Falls	NY
Council of Conservative Citizens	White Nationalist	Parishville	NY
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Port Jervis	NY
Jewish Defense League	General Hate	Rochester	NY
Iron Rain Nationalists	Neo-Nazi	Utica	NY
National Vanguard	Neo-Nazi	West Hurley	NY

Figure 18 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in New York.[35]

New York Unorganized Militia aka the Empire State Constitutional Militia – 11th Field Force, (Eastern New York). Group has held recent meetings as well as firearms training at the

Calverton Shooting Range, 395 Nugent Drive (County Road 94), Calverton, New York 11933, during November/December 2006.

Hudson Valley Freeman – a sovereign group in Hurley, New York. Organization appears to profess a pro-Aryan philosophy.

Empire State Skinheads is an organized group of hardcore White-power extremists operating with an approximate membership of 12 to 15 members in Brooklyn, New York, and New Jersey. In December 2006, four individuals from New York and two members from New Jersey received probate patches for the Vinlanders Social Club, a skinhead conglomerate to rival Hammerskin Nation.

Racialist Nationalist Party of America is a White supremacist group in Lockport, New York.

ATF – Philadelphia Field Division [36]

Group	Type	City	State
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi		PA
Keystone State Skinheads	Racist Skinhead		PA
Master Klans of America	Ku Klux Klan		PA
Volksfront	Racist Skinhead		PA
American Nationalist Union	White Nationalist	Allison Park	PA
Council of Conservative Citizens	White Nationalist	Allison Park	PA
Keystone State Skinheads	Racist Skinhead	Altoona	PA
Keystone State Skinheads	Racist Skinhead	Bethlehem	PA
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi	Bethlehem	PA
Catholic Counterpoint	Radical Traditionalist Catholic	Broomall	PA
HATECRIME streetwear	General Hate	Earlville	PA
Keystone State Skinheads	Racist Skinhead	Greensburg	PA
Keystone State Skinheads	Racist Skinhead	Harrisburg	PA
Imperial Klans of America	Ku Klux Klan	Ickesburg	PA
Aryan Nations	Neo-Nazi	Lemoyne	PA
Imperial Klans of America	Ku Klux Klan	Marcus Hook	PA
Keystone State Skinheads	Racist Skinhead	Philadelphia	PA
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Philadelphia	PA
National Socialist Movement - NSM	Neo-Nazi	Philadelphia	PA
New Black Panther Party	Black Separatist	Philadelphia	PA
Church of Creativity	Neo-Nazi	Pittsburgh	PA
Keystone State Skinheads	Racist Skinhead	Pittsburgh	PA
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Pittsburgh	PA
White Pittsburgh Front	Racist Skinhead	Pittsburgh	PA
Alliance for Catholic Tradition	Radical Traditionalist Catholic	Pleasant Unity	PA

Group	Type	City	State
Council of Conservative Citizens	White Nationalist	Revere	PA
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Saint Thomas	PA
Keystone State Skinheads	Racist Skinhead	State College	PA
Catholic Apologetics International	Radical Traditionalist Catholic	State Line	PA
Northern Voice Bookstore	White Nationalist	Wildwood	PA
Keystone State Skinheads	Racist Skinhead	Wilkes Barre	PA
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Wilkinsburg	PA
White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Pennsylvania	Ku Klux Klan	Wrightsville	PA

Figure 19 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Pennsylvania.[37]

Keystone State Skinheads (KSS) – according to the SPLC, the KSS is a well-organized, well-established, and increasingly violent group that formed in early 2001 in the Harrisburg area. The original impetus for the group's founding was the result of a melee in York, Pennsylvania, where several hundred racist skinheads were attacked by anarchist groups at a rally sponsored by the World Church of the Creator (now known as the Creativity Movement). Over the next 2 years, KSS transformed itself from a mainly Harrisburg group to a network of seven regional crews with members from every major city in the State and associates in New Jersey and Maryland. [38]

Figure 20 – KSS member and organizational flag [39]

ATF – Seattle Field Division[40]

Washington

Group	Type	City	State
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi		WA
Northwest Hammerskins	Racist Skinhead		WA
National Socialists of Washington State	Neo-Nazi	Mukilteo	WA
Seattle Creators Assembly	Neo-Nazi	Puyallup	WA
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi	Richland	WA
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi	Seattle	WA
National Vanguard	Neo-Nazi	Seattle	WA
Seattle Creators Assembly	Neo-Nazi	Seattle	WA
Volksfront	Racist Skinhead	Seattle	WA
Watchmen on the Walls	Anti-Gay	Seattle	WA
Aryan Nations	Neo-Nazi	Spokane	WA
Eastern Washington Skinheads	Racist Skinhead	Spokane	WA
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Spokane	WA
St. Michael's Parish/Mount St. Michael	Radical Traditionalist Catholic	Spokane	WA
United Realms of America Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Spokane	WA
Aryan Nations	Neo-Nazi	Tacoma	WA
Kinsman Redeemer Ministries	Christian Identity	Tacoma	WA
Hypatia Publishing	White Nationalist	Vancouver	WA
Sigrdrifa	White Nationalist	Vancouver	WA
Volksfront	Racist Skinhead	Vancouver	WA

Figure 21 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Washington. [41]

Washington State Jural Society, located in Ellensburg, Washington, is a sovereign citizen group with Christian Identity ties. The group meets regularly at the Eagles Lodge in Ellensburg, Washington, on the second Saturday of every month. Members have reportedly threatened violence against court justices.

Northwest Pioneer Association – a White separatist group dedicated to the 14 Words of David Lane. NPA is led by an individual who resides in Longview, Washington. This same individual recently wrote a book titled *The Brigade*, which is drawing comparisons to the Turner Diaries. He is also attempting to form a "White homeland" in the Pacific Northwest and has created a number of propaganda videos related to this endeavor.[42]

Seattle Creator's Assembly (SCA) – a racist skinhead group, in Seattle, Washington, that mimics the Order. There are approximately 13 members of SCA and many members own/possess firearms.

First Order Skinheads – formed in the Washington Department of Corrections. Organization is believed to consist of 25 members. There are rumors that the First Order Skinheads may merge with another White supremacist prison gang – Haken Kreuz.

Haken Kreuz – a White supremacist prison gang, in Bothell, Washington. The group has less than 10 members.

Northwest Boot Boys – a racist skinhead group. (No further information.)

Northern Western Hammerskins – a regional skinhead group, formed in 2003. The group has held various White supremacist events to include a "Martyr's Day" in Whidbey Island, Washington, to commemorate the anniversary of

Figure 22 - Adolph Hitler / Swastika tattoo [43]

Robert Mathew's death. It also organized a hate rock-music venue in Yelm, Washington. The group is closely aligned with Volksfront, located in Portland, Oregon. In October 2007, a leader of the Northwest Hammerskins traveled from Canada into the United States with two Canadian White supremacists. On 4 October 2007, the subject again traveled from Canada into the United States with four Canadian White supremacists. Subject is believed to be a weapons trafficker. Canadian White supremacists were identified as Bradley Douglas Genno, Tiffany Michelle Binstead, Brad James Galloway, and Marc R. Clairoux. Charles McCall, member of Northwest Hammerskins, has numerous registered firearms.

Eastern Washington Skins (EWS) – organization is believed to have conducted firearms training at a cabin in Spokane County, Washington. EWS members have expressed an interest in creating a "training compound." All firearms are legal, no convicted felons. Six members identified. Members want to start another "Order" type group.

White Alliance – a racist skinhead group, located in eastern Washington. Organization has approximately 15-20 members. In November 2006, the Spokane County Sheriff's Office seized a firearm and a hand grenade from an abandoned vehicle associated with a White Alliance group member.

Aryan Family – a White supremacist prison gang, formed in Washington Department of Corrections during 1993. Has a history of making improvised weapons in prison and assaulting prison staff. The group has approximately 160 members.

In Spokane, Washington, law enforcement officers identified a vehicle with the seal of the Constitution Rangers affixed to the driver's side door. The Constitution Rangers is a group whose purpose is to uphold the Constitution of the United States and to stop the "Feds" who do not. The group was initially established in the 1800s, but was lost until recently and has been revived. They claim to follow only God's laws and the amendments found in the original Bill of Rights. They believe they are emancipated from all other responsibilities associated with being a U.S. citizen, such as paying taxes, possessing a driver's license, registering vehicles, or holding a Social Security card.[44]

Idaho

Group	Type	City	State
Gospel Ministries	Christian Identity	Boise	ID
JTB Publications	General Hate	Careywood	ID
"International Conspiratological Association, The"	Holocaust Denial	Coeur d'Alene	ID
Aryan Nations	Neo-Nazi	Coeur d'Alene	ID
Campaign for Radical Truth in History	Holocaust Denial	Coeur d'Alene	ID
Folk and Faith	White Nationalist	Idaho Falls	ID
America's Promise Ministries	Christian Identity	Sandpoint	ID
Church of the Sons of YHVH – Reformed	Christian Identity	Sandpoint	ID

Figure 23 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Idaho.[45]

A member of the Northern Western Hammerskins is under investigation for requesting maps of city water and sewer lines from the Boise Water and Sewer District. His requests were denied. A subsequent investigation has learned a close associate of the earlier mentioned individual works for the Ada County government.

Aryan Nations – a neo-Nazi, White supremacist organization that adheres to a racist religious philosophy called Christian Identity. Since the mid-1970s, several Aryan Nations members have been arrested and convicted of violent crimes, including armed robbery and murder, and plans to carry out terrorist activities. In addition, many group members have been arrested for violating Federal firearms and explosives laws. In August 2000, the Aryan Nations lost its compound as a result of a civil judgment. In September 2005, reputed Aryan Nations leader Richard Butler died of natural causes. As a result of these events, the Aryan Nations as an organization splintered into several factions. Currently, the Aryan Nations has no formal organization structure in Idaho or the Pacific Northwest. Nevertheless, numerous former Aryan Nations members and supporters can still be found in Idaho, Washington, Oregon, and Montana.

The ARK – a Christian Identity church with a compound just south of the Canadian border near Northport, Washington. Regular attendees primarily reside in north Idaho and eastern

Washington. The ARK was the church attended by the notorious Kehoe brothers who were involved in a string of violent crimes in the mid-1990s, including the 1996 bombing of Spokane City Hall. This group attracts the fringes of the Christian Identity movement and is a group from which a lone wolf could quite conceivably emerge.

Oregon

Group	Type	City	State
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi		OR
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	La Pine	OR
Daughters of Yahweh	Christian Identity	Portland	OR
Empire Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan		OR
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Junction City	OR
National Prayer Network	General Hate	Clackamas	OR
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi	Portland	OR
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi	Sisters	OR
Northwest Hammerskins	Racist Skinhead	Portland	OR
The Apostles of Adolf Hitler	Neo-Nazi	Portland	OR
Volksfront	Racist Skinhead	Portland	OR

Figure 24 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Oregon.[46]

Volksfront – a neo-Nazi group headquartered in Portland, Oregon. Current membership is estimated between 50 and 100 people. Leadership includes Randal Lee Krager and Richard Arden. Group members are primarily recruited from skinhead gangs and embrace a racist form of Asatru, a form of Scandinavian paganism dating to the Middle Ages. Volksfront members have been arrested for murder, assault, and other criminal behavior in the past. In addition to its headquarters in Portland, the group has active chapters in Eugene, Springfield, and St. Johns, and in Washington and California. Volksfront also has a publishing company called Thule Publications, also located in Portland, Oregon. Volksfront has property in Okanogan County, Washington, believed to have a bunker with firing ports.

National Socialist Movement (NSM) – one of the largest neo-Nazi organizations in the United States that claims to have chapters in Eugene and Portland, Oregon. NSM members in other parts of the country have reportedly engaged in firearms training and advocate provoking violence at rallies and protests. The NSM unit in Oregon has approximately six members.

National Socialist Vanguard (NSV) – an extremely small neo-Nazi group located in the Dalles, Oregon. The group has no violent history and is primarily involved in literature distribution. These activities have primarily targeted college and university students.

Franklin Brian Taylor is under investigation for alleged threats to abortion clinics. Subject is studying electronics at a university in Eugene, Oregon, and has previously been known to pass out flyers. Taylor threatened to destroy clinics in California and Oregon.

Carl F. Worden, the leader of the Southern Oregon Militia, is advocating the killing of public elected officials on his Web site (http://www.wolfeyes.com). Worden issued a Call to Arms on

June 27, 2005. He is a militia of one (or two) and is active on the Internet causing problems with local government officials.

Oregon Rangers – located in Junction City, Oregon, is a small militia group with only five known members. Group activities are primarily focused on conducting mountain patrols searching for marijuana-growing operations and dumping sites for garbage related to methamphetamine production. To date, there has been very little law enforcement scrutiny of the group. However, in 2006, the Oregon Department of Justice learned that the Oregon Rangers received approximately $5,000 in Homeland Security grant money using a fake tax identification number. The grant money was used to purchase radios for the group.[47]

Oregon Lawmen Citizens for the Public Interest – located in Roseburg, Oregon, is an anti-tax group who has held meetings at the Douglas County Library, 14909 N.E. Diamond Lake Boulevard, Roseburg, Oregon.

Embassy of Heaven – located in Salem, Oregon, is a sovereign citizen group involved in selling bogus vehicle plates, insurance, and driver's licenses. They have two active Web sites. Members of his group live together on a compound east of Salem. There is no real church following. The leader lives off of the proceeds of the Embassy of Heaven paraphernalia.

God's Remnant Church – a Christian Identity group located in Boring, Oregon. The group's leader had ties to the Christian Patriot Association, which is now defunct.

Tualatin Valley Skins – a neo-Nazi skinhead gang comprised of approximately 10 people and located in Portland, Oregon. To date, this group has no violent history and is primarily involved in leafleting campaigns and rally participation.

Pure Hate – racist skinhead group with approximately 21 members and formed in 2002.

European Kindred (EK) – a White supremacist prison and street gang. Organization is believed to have approximately 325 members. EK cells have been identified throughout the State with members identified in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, South Dakota, Michigan, Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado. There are five EK cells operating outside of prison. Female auxiliary of EK is called "Vagina Kindred." Members have engaged in home invasions, commercial robberies, witness tampering, threats, and burglaries.

Supreme White Aryan Knights – a White supremacist prison gang operating within the Federal Bureau of Prisons and has less than 30 members. No further information.

Organized Aryan Crime Syndicate (OACS) – a White supremacist prison and street gang, formed in the Oregon Department of Corrections. The OACS has approximately 50 members and is involved in the manufacture and distribution of methamphetamine as well as home invasions, burglaries, and assaults.

Insane Peckerwood Society – a White supremacist prison and street gang. Organization is believed to have approximately 150+ members in Oregon and Washington. Members have been involved in identity theft, smuggling contraband into prison, credit card fraud, forgery, burglaries, etc.

Aryan Brotherhood (AB) – a White supremacist prison and street gang with 45-50 members in the Oregon Department of Corrections. Organization is involved in various criminal activities to include but not limited to assault, murder, extortion, narcotics trafficking, firearms trafficking, armed robbery, and others.

Nazi Low Riders – a White supremacist prison and street gang. Law enforcement officials believe 20-25 members of the NLR are active within the Oregon Department of Corrections. Organization is involved in various criminal activities to include but not limited to assault, murder, extortion, robbery, narcotics trafficking, firearms trafficking, and armed robbery.

Figure 25 – NLR insignia [48]

Hate Team (aka Brood*)* – a White supremacist prison and street gang with approximately 30 members operating in the Multnomah County, Oregon, area. Group uses State River Correctional Institution as a recruitment base. Brood has links to the European Kindred, Insane Peckerwood Society, and possibly the Organized Aryan Crime Syndicate.

Aryan Soldiers – a White supremacist prison gang formed within the Oregon Department of Corrections. At this time, law enforcement has little, if any, intelligence information as it relates to the organization.

ATF – Denver Field Division[49]

Montana

Group	Type	City	State
League of the South	Neo-Confederate	Bigfork	MT
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi	Billings	MT
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi	Butte	MT
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi	Libby	MT
American National Socialist Workers' Party	Neo-Nazi	Missoula	MT
Church of True Israel	Christian Identity	Noxon	MT

Figure 26 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Montana.[50]

Montana Freemen / Sovereign Citizens – operates in Kalispell, Montana, and other areas of Flathead County. Several identified sovereigns are involved in debt-elimination schemes, tax evasion, redemption schemes, and other notable sovereign tactics. Approximately 35 individuals are affiliated with these extremist individuals and activities.

The Church of True Israel (CTI) – located in Noxon, Montana. It was the first of the three factions to break away from David Butler's Aryan Nations after a secret meeting was held during the 1995 Aryan World Congress. Dissatisfaction with the increasing neo-Nazi influence Butler was bringing into a once predominately Christian Identity organization was the key reason for the split. They believed Aryan Nations was originally established as a racist religious organization, and Butler was changing it into a neo-Nazi group. Butler unexpectedly walked in on the meeting and allegedly became angry with the five men. As a result, several members left Aryan Nations to form CTI. The CTI continues to conduct meetings and services at a community center in Noxon, Montana, and at other undisclosed locations. It operates an Internet Web site and has members living in Montana, Iowa, Florida, and Pennsylvania. In 2001, both CTI and Butler's Aryan Nations were reported to be actively soliciting financial assistance from two wealthy supporters in an effort to raise money for constructing new churches. Despite their disagreement over Butler's fascination with Hitler and neo-Nazi beliefs, both the CTI and Butler's Aryan Nations share the racist religious belief that White people are the true Israelites and Jews are conspiring with Satan to control the world.[51]

ATF – St. Paul Field Division [52]

Minnesota

There is a large contingent of Somali refugees in the Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota, area known to be involved in Khat smuggling and alleged firearms trafficking. Although there is no specific information linking the Somalis to firearms trafficking to Canada, several Somali individuals were arrested a year ago attempting to smuggle firearms into Canada. The firearms in question were purchased in and around Columbus, Ohio, the same area in which the Somalis are allegedly obtaining their firearms. The Somalis tend to stay within their cultural group. There is also a significant Somali population in Ontario (in the vicinity of Toronto), Canada.

The Somalis appear to be loosely organized, but described as violent extremists, possibly anti-government groups committing a variety of criminal activities to include firearms trafficking, drug smuggling, burglary, robbery, and other street crimes. Note: ATF St. Paul Field Intelligence Group listed Somalis as extremists based on their views of the government and violent use of firearms.

National Socialist Movement (NSM) – the largest neo-Nazi organization in the United States, with 81 chapters in 36 States. NSM was headquartered in Hutchinson, Minnesota. Its current leader recently relocated NSM headquarters to Detroit, Michigan. NSM members in other parts of the country have reportedly engaged in firearms training and advocate provoking violence at rallies and protests. After a scandal hit the group, key players abdicated and took several NSM members and officials with them to form the American National Socialist Workers Party. NSM members are also present in the Butte, Montana, area.

Figure 27 – NSM members at rally / protest in Minnesota.

North Dakota

Group	Type	City	State
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi	Fargo	ND

Figure 28 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in North Dakota.[53]

Little Shell Pembina Nation (LSPN) – an anti-government/sovereign citizen group whose members claim to be part of a "sovereign" Native American tribe. Little Shell adherents claim their membership in the Little Shell nation imparts them immunity from all regulations and laws. LSPN is divided into four competing factions, each largely staffed by feuding members of the Delorme family, along with a handful of close associates on each side. In addition, there are several dozen mail-order Shell members active nationwide. LSPN has an estimated national membership between 1,000 and 1,500 people.

Wisconsin

Group	Type	City	State
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi		WI
Aryan Nations	Neo-Nazi	Appleton	WI
Forward Guard	Neo-Nazi	Delafield	WI
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi	Green Bay	WI
Brotherhood of Klans Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Hurley	WI
Christian Guard	Christian Identity	Kenosha	WI
Council of Conservative Citizens	White Nationalist	Madison	WI
National Socialist Movement – NSM	Neo-Nazi	Madison	WI
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Mercer	WI
Nation of Islam	Black Separatist	Milwaukee	WI
New Order	Neo-Nazi	Milwaukee	WI
United Northern and Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan	Ku Klux Klan	Monroe	WI

Figure 29 – Identified Hate / Supremacist / Separatists Groups in Wisconsin.[54]

The Covenant Church of Yahweh – a two-seed line Christian Identity ministry in Appleton, Wisconsin. The new Web site can be accessed at http://www.covenantchurchofyahweh.com and links other sites to Christian Identity ministries.

Canadian Extremists Groups / Organizations

Rightwing Extremism in Canada

Canada witnessed the rise of hate groups during pre-World War II years. The 1920s and 1930s saw the development of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) and the roots of the Western Guard and Aryan Nations. With the increase in immigration due to relaxed immigration regulations, hate group activity and hate propaganda increased. In the 1990s there were several KKK-style cross-burnings throughout the country. The Klan was implicated in the anti-Mohawk agitation in Quebec where they distributed Klan propaganda in some Montreal schools, the Eastern

Townships of Quebec, several rural Ontario towns, Alberta, and Manitoba. The anti-immigration White supremacist telephone “hate lines” attracted attention in Vancouver, Winnipeg, and Toronto.[55]

The Ku Klux Klan has been a major player in Canada's racist scene since the early 1990s. Like its American counterpart, the Canadian Klan directs its hate against Blacks, Catholics, and Native Canadians. In the last 95 years, numerous hate groups have gained a foothold in Canada. These groups, which are intimately interconnected, include Citizens for Foreign Aid Reform (C-FAR), the Western Guard, the Hammerskins, the Heritage Front, and the Nationalist Party of Canada. Homosexuals, Jews, South Asians, and African-Canadians have been the targets of the violence and hate propaganda of these and other groups. Canadian hate groups are closely linked with those in the United States and overseas. Ties between Canadian racists and Aryan Nations, White Aryan Resistance (WAR), the Church of the Creator (COTC), and the KKK are well-documented.

While the White supremacist movement in Canada is strongly tied to American hate groups, it has a distinct identity. Canadian hate mongers tend to be less violent, relying primarily on hate propaganda, racist rock concerts, and rallies.

The Canadian far-right is gaining in popularity as it actively recruits new members in high schools and universities. While the balance of power between individual hate groups fluctuates, the total force of the movement is growing, especially among younger Canadians.

In August 2008, racism erupted at the Siksika First Nation Reserve in Calgary. Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) reported a White supremacist has been charged in connection with an incident on the reserve, east of Calgary near Gleichen. The man has been charged with mischief, but residents are more concerned about the racist comments that were heard.

The RCMP reported four White supremacists who punched holes in the walls of a building likely used pipes or baseball bats. Three of the subjects were arrested for causing a disturbance, alcohol was involved, and one subject who fled on foot was later arrested for mischief. RCMP indicated that the suspects are members of the Aryan Guard in Calgary.

White supremacist organizations like the Volksfront from Portland, Oregon, and Northwest Hammerskins from Vancouver, British Columbia, have been associating with each other at various skinhead and White power functions this past year. The largest one is Hammerfest, a supremacist music festival.

Rightwing Extremists Anniversary Dates

Date	*Event*
January 15	Day of remembrance for Robert Matthews – Founder of the Order
January 30	Commemoration day for the rise of Adolf Hitler and the Nazi Party Germany (1933)
March 4	Confederate Flag Day
April 19	Branch Davidian compound burns to the ground Waco, Texas (1993)
	Bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal building in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma (1995)
April 20	Adolf Hitler's Birthday (1889)
May 6	Ku Klux Klan Incorporated (1866)
June 2	Conviction of Timothy McVeigh Oklahoma City bomber (1997)
July 27	Centennial Park Bombing in Atlanta during 1996 Olympics
August 21-30	Ruby Ridge Standoff, Idaho (1992)
October 23	United States Day, preservation of the United States as a sovereign nation
December 24	Klu Klux Klan founded in Pulaski, Tennessee (1865)

Intelligence Gaps

- Focus on the trends of these groups as they relate their activities in other countries.
- Focus on the interactions of the groups that have members both in Canada and the United States.
- Create a system to retrieve known violators, specific to these groups.

Summary / Conclusion

To effectively combat the growing violence of the White racist, law enforcement agencies must continue to cooperate and communicate. Supremacists are transient in nature, and it is not uncommon for members to travel from city to city committing crimes. Skinheads in particular have a belief that a crime committed in a locality other than their own is likely to go unnoticed by law enforcement. Typically their criminal activity is often centered around a major event, such as a march, rally, or skinhead concert.

Although there was deterioration in the formal structure of these groups in the last few years, evidence suggests hate group organization is definitely on the rise in Canada. The Canadian White supremacist community has been scattered and without formal leadership for the last few years, but Internet recruitment has allowed individuals to align themselves with pre-established hate groups in urban areas in both Canada and the United States.

It seems as though small arms and improvised explosive devices (IEDs) are the weapons of choice for supremacists/extremists because they are widely available and easy to construct and use. Some groups have shown an increased interest since September 11, 2001, in using chemical, biological, and radiological weapons, raising law enforcement concerns that these groups may pursue different methods of attack in the future.

The animal and environmental extremists believe companies are responsible for the destruction of animal habitats and natural resources. In the last couple of years arson has become the tool most widely used by animal rights and eco-terrorist groups. Law enforcement can become proactive by identifying and locating logical targets (i.e. construction sites causing environmental controversies or facilities that use animals for testing) and consider initiating liaisons with these targets. Law enforcement has made strides prosecuting cells, but has been unable to end the arsons directed toward housing developments in the United States and Canada.

The abortion issue will continue to be a political topic in the years to come. ATF will continue to monitor violent (i.e. arsons/bombing) incidents directed toward reproductive healthcare centers.

In conclusion, there appears to be a significant number of domestic extremist groups operating in Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio, Michigan, and Washington. The main ideology of these groups is the supremacy of the White race with disrespect toward the U.S. Government. To date, there are estimated to be more than 600 members of the neo-Nazi skinhead movement in Canada. While their numbers declined in the late 1980s, the trend was reversed in the 1990s. With immigration an issue of the upcoming U.S. Presidential election, law enforcement could expect to see even more of an increase in hate crimes. It should also be noted that mergers of Canadian and U.S. groups may possibly take place between racist groups operating along the border as the United States will have its first African-American President taking office in January 2009.

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